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A Monthly Publication Of Local News And Events

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Town Council News

☛ Just a reminder...the minutes of each meeting are available in the Town Office for a full report of the Town Council.

☛ The Trappe Citizen's Association presented concerns from their organization. Some of their concerns included LaTrappe Heights, the Ethics Commission, trash collection, and some of the properties in disrepair about town. The Commissioners welcome citizen input and refer the reader to Chet Wilson at 476-3077 for a full report.

☛ The Election Board has made recommendations to the Commissioners to upgrade some of the election procedures. These changes, too numerous to list here, were agreed upon by the Commissioners. A copy of the changes will be available in the Town Office.

☛ The independent Auditor's report for FY93 is now available in the Town Office. Mr. McGinnis will present his results at the next Town Meeting.

☛ Water and sewer customers are reminded that cellar pumps, roof gutters, down spouts, and storm drains may not be connected to the Town's sewer system. If you are not certain whether this applies, call the Town Office and someone will assist you.

☛ The Town of Trappe has not been in compliance with the State Ethics Code for some time. A new Ethics Ordinance was presented to address these shortcomings. Hopefully it will be adopted at the next Town Meeting. It will then be submitted to the State Ethics Commission for comment.

☛ The BOCA Appeals Board will be composed of 5 people: Paul Moore, Henry Outten, Lester Chance, Roy Geist and Edgar Harrison. At this time, they will address only BOCA appeals. Legal advice is pending on the issue of combining the BOCA Appeals Board and the Planning and Zoning Appeals Board.

Nace's Day Parade

The annual Nace's Day Parade will be held on October 9th at 1 pm. The parade will start at Maple Avenue and Hennessy Lane and proceed south down Main Street to the Scott's Methodist Church. Anyone wishing to participate in the parade should contact William Meyers-476-5232.

Octoberfest

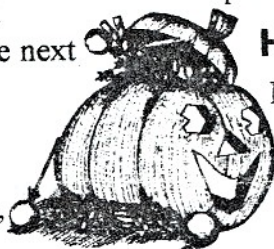
The Octoberfest will be held at the White Marsh Elementary School on Saturday, October 16th between 10 am and 3 pm. Games, rides, and food will be available. Local talent at the festival includes Rosemary Morris, Greg Cooney, and the Rescue Team. This wonderful family event is open to the public.

Halloween Treats

Halloween will be celebrated on Saturday, October 30 between the hours of 6 and 8 pm. The Trappe Volunteer Fire Department will be hosting a Halloween party for children 12 and under. Bring the children out for an evening of fun at the Fire House.

PTA Meeting

On Tuesday, October 12th at 7 pm a PTA meeting will be held at WMES. The topic of discussion will be the Elementary Guidance Program. The Director for the county and the Director for White Marsh will be in attendance. Child care is available at the cost of one dollar per child.



Local Church News

Scott's Methodist Church

October 3...Worldwide Community - the bread of different countries will be distributed throughout the congregation as a testimony that Jesus broke his body for all people.



October 9...Community Nace's Day Celebration - features worship service, parades and other activities. Service at 10 am and parade at 1 pm.

October 10...Laity Sunday - Sunday morning worship conducted by the lay people.

October 11...Ministers & Mates of the Easton District Conference will meet at Scott's Methodist at 9:30 am.

St. Pauls Church Bazaar

St. Paul's will hold its annual bazaar on Saturday, October 30. There will be a quilt raffle, attic sale, baked goods, food and activities for children. The entire community is invited to attend.

Trappe Heritage - Nathaniel Hopkins

Nathaniel Hopkins, better known as "Uncle Nace", is best known as the founder of of Trappe's Maryland Emancipation Day celebration. The first such celebration was held in November of 1867 and people travelled from near and far to participate. The tradition of celebrating Emancipation Day is carried on today as "Nace's Day". Hopkins was also instrumental in building the first school house in Trappe for African-American children.

Random Notes

Bulk Trash Pick Up -October 29...don't forget that curbside bulk pick-up is available on the 29th. Limbs and lumber must be shorter than 4 feet. Only empty paint cans or dried paint in cans with the lids removed can be put into the bulk trash.

Partnership meeting... October 14 at 7:30. The public is invited to attend.

Planning & Zoning Meeting...October 26 at 7:30 PM at Town Hall.

The holiday season is fast approaching. The town has budgeted \$300 for decorations. The Commissioners request assistance from the community for both thinkers and doers! Please contact Bobby Croswell at 476-3939 or the Town Office if you are interested in lending a hand.

The deadline for the last newsletter will be October 29. Please contact Lisa Willoughby at 476-3614 or Shirley Outten at 476-3208 for community calendar news. The newsletter only had authorization for six months. please contact your commissioners if you would like to see the newsletter continued.

The Index welcomes contributions to the Calendar of Events that are of general interest to the community. Events reported in the newsletter do not necessarily reflect the endorsement of the Town Commissioners. The Index editorial board reserves the right to edit or omit any item submitted.

